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SUBJECT: RUMORS OF POSSIBLE NORTH/SOUTH SUMMIT

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1. REFTTEL REPORTS THAT SEVERAL DEVELOPING COUNTRY
REPRESENTATIVES IN NEW YORK HAVE APPROACHED USUN
CONCERNING SOUNDINGS ATTRIBUTED TO FRENCH FOR A POSSIBLE
G-8/G-19 SUMMIT SOMETIME WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR.

2. THIS IS THE FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF THIS IDEA. WE
ARE DEEPLY TROUBLED BY THE SUBSTANCE AND TIMING OF ANY

NORTH/SOUTH SUMMIT PROPOSAL. WE ARE ESPECIALLY CONCERNED OVER THE IMPACT SUCH A PROPOSAL OR EVEN ITS POSSIBILITY WOULD HAVE ON THE UPCOMING CIEC MINISTERIAL. ITS EFFECT, WE BELIEVE, WOULD BE TO REDUCE WHATEVER INCENTIVE NOW EXISTS AMONG THE G-19 FOR A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF THE MINISTERIAL.

3. FOR 18 MONTHS, A SUCCESSFUL MINISTERIAL HAS BEEN A PRINCIPLE OBJECTIVE IN OUR NORTH/SOUTH POLICY. TO THIS END WE HAVE MADE GREAT EFFORTS AND NOW BELIEVE IT LIKELY THAT THE MEETING WILL PRODUCE POSITIVE RESULTS. A SUMMIT PROPOSAL AT THIS POINT WOULD SERVE TO UNDERCUT THE

PRESENT MOMENTUM FOR A SATISFACTORY OUTCOME, BY HOLDING OUT THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE POSITION OF THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES CAN BE IMPROVED UPON IN ANOTHER FORUM OUTSIDE THE FUNCTIONAL INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS WITH RESPONSIBILITY ON SPECIFIC NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES.

4. FOR PARIS: EMBASSY SHOULD CONTACT APPROPRIATE HIGH LEVEL OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO INFORM THEM OF REPORT RECEIVED FROM USUN AND TO SOUND THEM OUT ON WHETHER THE FRENCH ARE INDEED MAKING THE INQUIRIES ATTRIBUTED TO THEM BY NEW YORK DELEGATIONS. YOU SHOULD ALSO EXPRESS OUR SERIOUS CONCERNS ALONG THE LINES OF PARAS 2 AND 3 ABOVE.

5. FOR USUN: NO ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN UNTIL FURTHER INSTRUCTION. RESPONSE TO FURTHER QUERIES SHOULD INDICATE
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WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY SUCH PROPOSAL AND ARE FOCUSING OUR NORTH-SOUTH EFFORTS TOWARDS THE UPCOMING CIEC MINISTERIAL.
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